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February will be a disrupted month for QFHS due to the replacement of the water mains in Bellevue Avenue which are programmed to last six weeks.

If you are planning to visit the library for research purposes, please make sure you check QFHS [Facebook](#) and [website home page](#) which will keep you fully up to date with the latest information.

Due to the water being turned off at intermittent times, it may also be necessary to close the library for the day. Information has also been provided for alternative parking.

Calendar

- [01 Feb - Seminar - Australian treasures: the National Archives of Australia and Trove](#)
- [01 Feb -DNA Interest Group](#)
- 03 Feb - Management Committee Meeting
- [07 Feb - Family Tree Maker User Group](#)
- ***08 Feb - Irish Interest Group - meeting will be held at the Mitchelton Library, 37 Heliopolis Parade, Mitchelton***
- ***09 Feb - Colonial India and the Far East Interest Group - cancelled due to roadworks in Bellevue Avenue***
- [10 Feb - Finding Your Family: a beginners course in research - week 1](#)
- [14 Feb - Fridays@QFHS - Researching your Italian ancestors](#)
- ***15 Feb - New Members' Welcome and Orientation - cancelled due to roadworks in Bellevue Avenue***
- [15 Feb - The Master Genealogist User Group](#)
- [17 Feb - Finding Your Family: a beginners course in research - week 2](#)
- ***19 Feb - Members' Meeting - cancelled due to roadworks in Bellevue Avenue***

- [24 Feb - Finding Your Family: a beginners course in research - week 3](#)
- [28 Feb - Australian Treasures: the National Archives of Australia and Trove](#)

Happenings

GOOD NEWS!

more searchable QFHS datasets added to website

[Commonwealth Electoral Rolls \(Queensland\) 1969](#) was added to the QFHS website in early January for member access. We hope you have success in searching for family members.

Two more datasets, this time about Queensland Schools, have been added:

[Queensland School Pupils Index \(parts 1-6\)](#)

[Queensland Schools Past and Present](#)

Explore what else is available here: [Online Access](#)

New journals from similar Societies are uploaded weekly and remain on the website for 1 year. See if there are any electronic journals originating in your area of interest.

[Other Societies' Journals](#)

Are you just starting out on your family history research? If so, you should check out the information available on the [Learning and Presentations](#) page.

Keep checking the website as more new data is being added each month.



Upcoming Water Main Replacement - Bellevue Avenue, Gaythorne

Work commenced on Tuesday 14 January and the project is expected to take about six weeks, depending on weather and site conditions.

The majority of work will be done during the day between 6am and 6pm Monday to Saturday. Footpath and on-street parking will be restricted or may be temporarily unavailable making parking at QFHS severely disrupted during this period.

For updated information please continue to check QFHS website and Facebook.



New Members' Welcome and Orientation

Due to the extensive roadworks in Bellevue Avenue, this session has been **cancelled** for February.



Members Meeting for February

Being a night meeting this month and with the extensive roadworks, this session has been **cancelled** due to dangerous pedestrian and vehicle access.

Guest Speaker, Lisa Jones, has agreed to come along to the August Members' Meeting to speak about the Queensland Police Museum.

Education - Workshops/Courses/Seminars

Australian Treasures: The National Archives of Australia and Trove

Presenter/s: Cara Downes and Sue Reid



Discover the National Archives - Cara Downes

Join Cara Downes as she provides an overview of the National Archives' collection in Queensland and shows you how the records can assist you with your family history research. Cara will showcase the immigration and defence collections and also demonstrate using the online database RecordSearch and other online resources of the National Archives.

Trove Digitised Newspapers - Sue Reid

As the name suggests, our digitised newspapers, available through the National Library of Australia, are a treasure trove of information. You can find birth, death and marriage notices, articles about your family, gossip, advertisements, and much, much more.

Trove: but wait, there's more - Sue Reid

We can make use of Trove newspapers and the other features on the Trove website to learn more about our families. Learn some search tips for Trove newspapers and

learn about some of the other aspects of Trove.

When: 1 February 2020

Time: 9.00 am - 12.30 pm

Where: Queensland Baptist Conference Centre, 53 Prospect Road, Gaythorne

Cost: \$25.00 Members (QFHS and GSQ) and \$40 Non-members (includes morning tea)

[Register Online](#)



Researching your Italian ancestors

Presenter: Charlotte Sale

This session will show you how to start your Italian family research. You will learn to manage the challenge of reading documents in Italian or Latin.

In addition, you will discover how to find records of your family in Italy including those for births, deaths, and marriages. We will also discuss how to navigate Italy's complicated history to find the right archive.

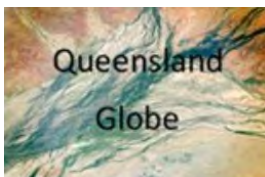
When: Friday 14 February

Where: QFHS Library and Resource Centre

Time: 10 am to 11.30 am

Limit: 25

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Queensland Globe: get hands-on with Queensland geography

Presenter: Kerry Raymond

Queensland Globe is an interactive mapping website providing access to the spatial information held by the Queensland Government. It is a powerful tool with an extensive array of information that can be overlaid on the maps, but it can be overwhelming for the beginner.

This hands-on session will be aimed beginners including: navigating around the Globe, searching for locations by a range of methods, obtaining information about a particular place, and working with the hundreds of built-in data layers (some of which will be included in the presentation).

Some of the limitations of the Queensland Globe will also be discussed. Note that Queensland Globe primarily deals with current information rather than historical information. However, there will be examples of how Queensland Globe can be used to help with your history research.

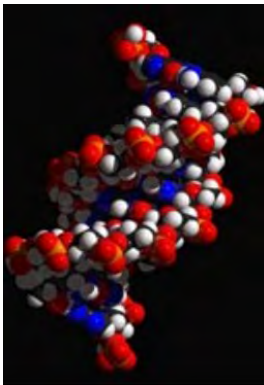
Read more about [Queensland Globe](#).

Please note: As this is a hands-on computer-based session, participants should be confident with basic computer skills, using keyboard and mouse, copying and pasting.

When: Friday 28 February 2020
Time: 10 am to 11.30 am
Where: QFHS Library and Resource Centre
Limit: 9

Note: Only a couple of places left.

[Register Online](#)



Which DNA test is right for you?

Presenter: Chris Schuetz

How can DNA help you find your family? Are you planning to submit a DNA sample for testing to assist in your research? This session is a primer for those intending to take DNA testing, whatever their interest. This session is the first of two. In the second session in June, we will look at the results received.

When: Friday 13 March 2020
Time: 10.00 am to 11.30 am
Where: QFHS Library and Resource Centre
Limit: 15

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Beyond BMDs: researching your English ancestors

Take your *English research* further with two of the foremost, internationally recognised, English experts Else Churchill and Alec Tritton.

Brisbane Seminar:-

When: Thursday 26 March 2020

Time: 9.00 am - 5.00 pm

Where: Gaythorne RSL Club - entrance to car park via Tel El Kebir Street

For details of the suggested program, bookings and cost visit the website [here](#).

Else and Alec are also featured speakers on the [17th Unlock the Past cruise](#) from Adelaide to Tasmania in March 2020.



History of Brisbane trams and their contribution to Brisbane's development

Presenter: Robert Scott

Come along to hear about the introduction of trams to Brisbane in the 1880s, part of Brisbane's social heritage. The development of Brisbane's tram network is linked to the development of Brisbane suburbs and councils, including Chermside, Ithaca, Woolloowin, Hamilton, Mt Gravatt, Camp Hill, and Moorooka.

You will hear about the first power station in Brisbane city for the tram system and the network of substations along the tram routes. The open bogie cars of Brisbane trams were suited to Brisbane's sub-tropical climate.

Please note: this talk is on the third Friday of the month, as the second Friday of the month is Good Friday.

When: Friday 17 April 2020

Where: QFHS Library Resouce Centre

Time: 10am - 11.30am

Limit: 25

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Members' Noticeboard



Tell your friends!

To celebrate our Online Access program QFHS is offering a Special New Membership of **\$70 (single)** and **\$105 (dual)**. Select Single or Dual New Membership with Discount Code.

The offer will expire on 31 January 2020.

Discount Code 'dataoffer'

[Join QFHS Now](#)


QFHS Buddy Program Are you a new member?

Experienced members are waiting to assist you to get started on your family history journey.

Buddies are experienced QFHS members who will assist new members by meeting at an agreed time to provide one-on-one guidance. If you would like to be a Buddy, or are a new member and would like to have a QFHS Buddy to assist you, email the Co-ordinator [here](#).



Do you know anyone who has lost their genealogy records in the recent bushfires?

(Email received from Judy Webster Genealogist)

If any of my clients have lost everything in the bushfires, and if I have a backup copy of my research

report, the client can ask me to send a replacement copy (FREE). For my contact details, see 'Have Your Family History Records Been Destroyed?' - go [here](#) for my website.

Here's another opportunity for you to access our Facebook page to check the latest updates in relation to the roadworks taking place in front of QFHS.



Check out our YouTube page, especially to refresh your memory on how to use our DataSearch program for Online Access. As a QFHS member it is free to access after you login to our web page.



Web Wanderings



England

- 1939 Register - [here](#)
- British Armed Forces, First World War Soldiers' Medical Records - [here](#)
- Middlesex Monumental Inscriptions - [here](#)
- Sussex Monumental Inscriptions - [here](#)

United States of America

- National Veterans Cemetery Index - [here](#)



England

- Oxfordshire Parish Registers, 1538 to 1904 - [here](#)
- Yorkshire Marriage Bonds and Allegations, 1613 to 1887 - [here](#)
- Hertfordshire Bishop's Transcripts 1583 to 1898 - [here](#)
- Northumberland Parish Registers, 1538 to 1950 - [here](#)
- Waterloo Roll Call 1815 - [here](#)
- British Army Service Records, 1760 to 1939 - [here](#)
- Kent Baptisms - [here](#)
- Kent Marriages and Banns - [here](#)
- Kent Burials - [here](#)
- British and Irish Newspaper Updates, 109,000 brand new pages - [here](#)

Scotland

- Read about Double Wedding Celebrations on Scotlands People - [here](#)

Ireland

- Poverty Relief Fund, 1810 to 1887 - [here](#)
- Poverty Relief Funds, 1821 to 1874 - [here](#)
- The Treble Almanac 1812 (FMP) - 3rd Party Index - [here](#)

South Africa

- Civil Marriage Records, 1840 to 1973 - [here](#)
- Netherdutch Refomed Church Registers (Pretoria Archive), 1838 to 1991 - [here](#)
- Orange Free State, Probate Records, 1832 to 1898 - [here](#)
- Pietermaritzburg Estate Files, 1846 to 1950 - [here](#)

General items of interest

The following items have been placed in the 'Lost and Found' basket and have been held for some



time.

- Gold QUT Health Clinic glasses case left in late September
- Portable computer keyboard - dimensions 25cm by 15cm, possibly for Ipad or other small device
- Blue folder with details of various schools e.g. Leichhardt Ward, Stanthorpe, Bald Hills, Toowoomba girls School etc.

If yours, please collect the item when you're next at the Library.



Tasmanian Family History Society Inc.

LILIAN WATSON FAMILY HISTORY AWARD

The Award and Conditions of Entry

The aim of this Award is to encourage family historians to present the results of their research for others to read and enjoy.

The Award was established in 1983 and first awarded in 1984. In 1996 it was renamed the Lilian Watson Family History Award to honour the memory and the contributions to genealogy and family history of Mrs Lilian Watson who died in March 1996. She was the Foundation Chairperson of the Society in 1980 and the first Fellow of the Society elected in 1995.

THE AWARD

The Award is for a book, however produced or published, printed on paper, dealing with family history and must have a significant Tasmanian content.

In the context of the Lilian Watson Family History Award, a family history should be a work carefully and accurately researched on a single family, group of related families or a biographical history. Historical fiction is not eligible.

For more information and application forms check [here](#).



Changes to document ordering at The National Archives, London

Are you planning a research trip to England? if so, make a note of the changes to ordering documents.

With effect from 31 March 2020, the document ordering procedure the The National Archives will change.

Readers will be able to order a maximum of 12 documents for the same day, plus up to 12 documents ordered in advance (i.e. a maximum of 24 documents per reader per day).

The new procedure will run for an experimental 6-month period.

More details can be seen [here](#).

Acknowledgements

We would like to thank all those who have taken time out to send items of interest to our "Snippets" mailbox at - snippets@qfhs.org.au

The more we receive, the more frequently we can produce a Newsletter. If your submission does not appear in this issue, we will try to include it in a future edition.

Please note that reference to any product does not imply endorsement. Members are cautioned to evaluate products prior to purchase.

Wendy Couper

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